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### Fly-Breeding Places—Maintenance of, Prohibited. (Reg. Bd. of H., June 2, 1913.)

SECTION 1. No person shall maintain in any city, town, or village, any horse or cow stable, garbage pile, dumping ground, or other place in such a manner that it will afford a feeding or a breeding place for flies.

Sec. 2. All manure shall be kept in closed bins and in such a way as to prevent the breeding of flies or else removed twice a week throughout the year.

#### Spitting. (Reg. Bd. of H., June 2, 1913.)

- Section 1. It shall be the duty of health officers, judges, teachers, sheriffs, keepers of public buildings, depot agents, and conductors of railway trains and street cars to call attention to the evils of careless spitting and to assist the State board of health in the prosecution of those who violate the following section.
- SEC. 2. All persons must spit upon the streets and into the gutters; and no person shall spit upon any sidewalk, or upon the floor of any place where food is handled or stored, nor upon the floor or wall of any courthouse, jail, schoolhouse, depot, railway coach, street car, nor upon the floor of any restaurant or hotel.
- SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of any keeper of the above-named places to give publicity to help to enforce, by prosecution if necessary, any violater of the above section.

#### NEW YORK.

# State Department of Health—Officers—Powers and Duties. (Chap. 559, Act May 17, 1913.)

Section 1. Section 2 of chapter 49 of the laws of 1909, entitled "An act in relation to the public health, constituting chapter 45 of the consolidated laws," is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 2. State department of health; commissioner of health; deputy.—The State department of health and the office of commissioner of health are continued. The commissioner of health shall be the head of such department. Such commissioner shall be appointed by the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, and shall be a physician, a graduate of an incorporated medical college, of at least 10 years' experience in the actual practice of his profession, and of skill and experience in public health duties and sanitary science. During his term of office he shall not engage in any occupation which would conflict with the performance of his official duties. The term of office of the commissioner shall be six years, beginning on the 1st day of January of the year in which he is appointed. The commissioner of health shall appoint and at pleasure remove a deputy commissioner, who shall be a physician actively engaged in the practice of his profession in this State for at least 5 years. The deputy shall perform such duties as shall be prescribed by the commissioner."

SEC. 2. Such chapter is hereby amended by inserting therein three new sections, to be sections 2a, 2b, and 2c, to read as follows:

"Sec. 2a. Public health council.—There shall be a public health council to consist of the commissioner of health and six members, hereinafter called the appointive members, to be appointed by the governor, of whom at least three shall be physicians, and shall have had training or experience in sanitary science, and one shall be a sanitary engineer. Of the appointive members first appointed one shall hold office until January 1, 1914, one until January 1, 1915, one until January 1, 1916, one until January 1, 1917, one until January 1, 1918, and one until January 1, 1919, and the terms of office of members thereafter appointed, except to fill vacancies, shall be 6 years. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment for the unexpired term. The public health council shall meet as frequently as its business may require, and at least twice in each year. The governor shall designate one of the members of the public health